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FOR GARRISON FROM MATLOCK

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: OGEN  
SUBJECT: OFFICIAL-INFORMAL

1. RE SALT JOINT DRAFT TEXT: IN PERUSING THE SALT TRAFFIC WE WOULD FIND IT USEFUL TO HAVE THE LATEST VERSION OF THE JDT (WE HEAR THERE IS A DEC. 16 VERSION) WITH ITS BRACKETED LANGUAGE NOTING THE OUTSTANDING POINTS OF DIFFERENCE. OUR FIELDS OF THE EXDIS MESSAGES ARE GETTING EVER LARGER AND A CONVENIENT SUMMARY TEXT WOULD ASSIST US IN KEEPING TRACK OF THE NUMEROUS SUGGESTED CHANGES WHICH ARE COMING IN HERE ALMOST WEEKLY. WITH SALT CLOSED DOWN FOR THE BREAK, MAYBE YOU COULD GET THE TEXT REPEATED TO US FROM WASHINGTON.

2. FOR MCCALL FROM MCNAMARA: THE IO BOOK YOU SENT FROM BERN ARRIVED DEC. 20. MANY THANKS.

3. TASS HAS REPORTED FROM NEW YORK SOME "REMARKS" BY SECRETARY BLUEMENTHAL IN WHICH HE IS SAID TO HAVE NOTED SIGNS OF PROGRESS IN THE "NORMALIZATION" OF US-SOVIET ECONOMIC RELATIONS. HE IS REPORTED TO HAVE MENTIONED MFN AND CRITERIA FOR REGULATION TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER AS PROBLEMS AWAITING SOLUTION. COULD WE HAVE TEXT OF THESE  
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REMARKS (WE ARE STILL AWAITING CORRECTED COPY OF HIS SPEECH AT TRADE AND ECONOMIC COUNCIL SESSION).

4. PLEASE SUPPLY TWO ADDITIONAL COPIES OF "US-SOVIET COMMERCIAL AGREEMENTS, 1972" TO EMBASSY FOR DISTRIBUTION TO LENINGRAD AND KAP. IT WOULD ALSO BE HELPFUL IF YOU COULD SEND COPIES OF ALL AGREEMENTS IN ECONOMIC AREA, INCLUDING MARITIME

AND CIVIL AVIATION, WHICH GIVE RUSSIAN AS WELL AS ENGLISH LANGUAGE  
TEXTS. THE RUSSIAN IS VERY HELPFUL IN DISCUSSING THESE AGREEMENTS  
WITH SOVIET OFFICIALS.  
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